

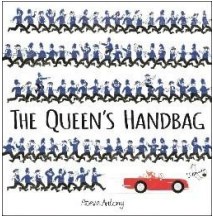


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Headteacher – Mrs P Atwal

Friday 17th April 2026

We hope you enjoyed the Easter break and are feeling refreshed for another busy and exciting half term.



Our learning this half term is based around the global theme '**Our Heritage**'

We will be learning all about the United Kingdom, considering our key question: '**What makes the UK so important?**'

We will be reading our core text, *The Queen's Hat*, to lead our learning and to inspire our writing lessons. Our writing will focus initially on the features of a short story and later in the half term we will be writing a fact file.

- In our **maths** lessons, we will be learning about numbers to 20, including doubling and halving and addition and subtraction facts. We will recognise coins and count forwards and backwards in 2s, 5s and 10s.
- In our **geography** lessons, we will be finding out about the countries, capital cities and seas that make up the United Kingdom.
- In **science**, we will be completing our work on the senses. We will move on to thinking more about seasonal weather patterns and completing a weather chart.
- In **computing**, we will be learning how to use a computer to write and edit.
- During **RE**, we will be focusing on what makes places sacred, looking at the features of a church and mosque.
- In **Art**, we will be finding out about Andy Warhol and creating pop art.
- In **PSHE**, we will be learning about healthy living, including personal hygiene, healthy food and sun safety.
- In **music**, we will be singing and listening to songs and improvising.
- In **Physical Education**, we will be focusing on fitness on **Mondays**; and on **Wednesdays** we will be playing net and wall games.

On PE days, please ensure that your child wears their PE uniform to school and keeps it on all day. Children can wear shorts, jogging bottoms or leggings with a school-coloured t-shirt and hoodie or school jumper if cold. Please remove earrings and tie back long hair. Thank you.

Homework

We will continue to send your child's reading book home each Friday for them to practise reading to you. **It is vital** that children read regularly (we request **at least 3 reads at home per week**) in order to practise their skills. There may also be extra sounds or words sent home in reading dairies to practise 'little and often' just to consolidate previous learning. Please take the time to enjoy sharing books with your child and know how much this benefits them with all areas of their learning,

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact us through the school office email.

Kind regards,

Mrs Rodgers and Mrs Macdonald

